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FORMER ROGERSVILLE MAN SENTENCED FOR THREE BANK ROBBERIES

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a former Rogersville, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for robbing three banks.

Timothy John Hooper, 50, formerly of Rogersville, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this morning to seven years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Hooper** to pay restitution to each of the banks.

On July 23, 2004, **Hooper** pleaded guilty to all three counts of an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on July 12, 2004. **Hooper** admitted that he robbed the following banks:

- * Liberty Bank, 1401 W. Highway J in Ozark, Mo., on May 12, 2004, stealing \$4,500;
- * Great Southern Bank, 2562 N. Glenstone Ave. in Springfield, Mo., on June 11, 2004, stealing \$4,397;
- * US Bank, 300 E. 32nd St. in Joplin, Mo., on July 2, 2004, stealing \$3,086.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Douglas C. Bunch. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Springfield, Mo., Police Department, the Joplin, Mo., Police Department, and the Ozark, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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